

management such as embankments, river banks protection works, construction of drainage channels etc. to mitigate the damages caused by floods and erosion. Ganga Flood Control Commission under Ministry of Water Resources has prepared comprehensive plans for flood management for all sub-basins of Ganga basin in which the State of Uttar Pradesh and Bihar and part of West Bengal fall. The Brahmaputra Board has also prepared similar plans covering part of West Bengal. These plans have been sent to the State Governments for formulating detailed schemes and implementation. Ministry of Water Resources has also set up five Regional Task Forces on 30.9.96 consisting of senior Central and State Government officers to examine regional flood problems, review existing remedial measures and to recommend solutions.

[English]

Grant to Private Social and Educational Institutions

1350. SHRI T. GOPAL KRISHNA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether any private, social and educational institutions in Andhra Pradesh have been given Central grant directly during the past three years;

(b) if so, the purpose for which these institutions have been provided these grants;

(c) whether the utilisation of the grants in these institutions is being monitored by any agency;

(d) if so, whether any complaints have been received against any of these institutions, and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA) : (a) to (e). The Central Government provides grant to private, social and educational institutions in various States/UTs including Andhra Pradesh. These institutions may have educational, cultural, health, social, developmental activities etc. as their objectives. The Annual Reports of various Ministries/Departments generally contain the details of grants of Rs. one lakh and above which are circulated to the Hon'ble Members of Parliament. Schemes generally have an inbuilt mechanism for monitoring. Besides, there is a provision for inspection by Central and State agencies and utilisation certificate for earlier grant is insisted upon before release of fresh grants. Further information, relative to the question, in respect of the organisations with which the Ministry of Human Resource Development is concerned will be collected and laid on the Table of the House.

[Translation]

Funds to Rajasthan under Educational Schemes

1351. PROF. RASA SINGH RAWAT : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state

(a) the funds allocated to Rajasthan under the Literacy Mission, Post Literacy Mission, Adult Education, Public Awareness scheme and Educational Staff schemes for the year 1995-96, district-wise;

(b) the number of persons made literate by the above mentioned schemes, district-wise;

(c) the action plan of the Government in regard to these schemes and the amount earmarked for it during 1996-97; and

(d) by when the target of completed literacy is likely to be achieved in Rajasthan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA) : (a) No funds are allocated State/District-wise for the Total-Post Literacy Campaigns. Funds are approved by the Project Approval Committee of National Literacy Mission Authority on the basis of the Proposals received from districts duly recommended by the State Government for the literacy campaigns. Statement - I indicating the funds released to the district of Rajasthan during the year 1995-96 is enclosed. Under the scheme of Strengthening of Administrative Structure, however, the funds are released direct to State Government. During the year 1995-96 an amount of Rs. 115.33 lakhs has been released to the Government of Rajasthan.

(b) Statement-II indicating the number of persons made literate district-wise is enclosed.

(c) and (d). Out of 31 districts of Rajasthan, 29 have already been covered under the Total Literacy Campaign. Remaining two districts, namely, Jaipur and Churu are proposed to be covered during the current financial year. Actual amount to be earmarked for these districts would be known on receipt of the proposals from State Government/Districts.

STATEMENT - I

Funds to Rajasthan Under Educational Schemes

| S.No. | Name of District | Amount allocated (Rs. in Lakhs) |
|-------|------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 1. | Barmer | 750.00 |
| 2. | Bikaner | 391.00 |
| 3. | Nagour | 588.91 |
| 4. | Swai Madhopur | 341.88 |

| 1 | 2 | 3 |
|----|----------|--------|
| 5. | Jalore | 400.00 |
| 6. | Sirohi | 223.14 |
| 7. | Dholpur | 157.50 |
| 8. | Jhalawar | 230.40 |

STATEMENT - II

Funds to Rajasthan Under Education Schemes

| S.No | Name of districts | Persons made literate |
|------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. | Ajmer | 240982 |
| 2. | Alwar | 60289 |
| 3. | Banswara | 70417 |
| 4. | Baran | 42221 |
| 5. | Bharatpur | 243735 |
| 6. | Dungarpur | 184943 |
| 7. | Jhunjhunu | 50733 |
| 8. | Pali | 143323 |
| 9. | Sikar | 105940 |
| 10. | Tonk | 110554 |
| 11. | Udaipur | 4751 |

[English]

Development of Ports

1352. SHRI DILEEP SANGHANI :

SHRI KASHI RAM RANA :

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government are planning infrastructural development of some of the ports in the country;

(b) if so, the details of such ports proposed to be undertaken;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Government have approached the World Bank and other leading funding agencies for assistance in this regard;

(d) if so, the amount of assistance expected or negotiated by the Government so far; and

(e) the details of ports for which the amount is likely to be spent?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) and (b). Infrastructure in all Major Ports is being developed through plan funding and private sector participation.

(c) to (e). The Asian Development Bank has been approached for funding the following port projects :

(i) Replacement of Submarine pipelines at Mumbai Port.

(ii) Modernisation of MOT berths at Mumbai Port.

(iii) Extension of Container Terminal at Madras Port.

No decision as yet has been taken.

[Translation]

Grants to Traditional Universities

1353. SHRI JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state

(a) the provision for giving grants to the traditional Universities for the development of education among women by the University Grants Commission;

(b) the reason for not granting adequate grants to the famous Gurukul Kangri University for the purpose of post-graduate education among women; and

(c) the time by which special grants are likely to be sanctioned to this Gurukul University for the development of education?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAKIA) : (a) and (b). University Grants Commission (UGC) provides development grants to all eligible universities, as per the prescribed norms and subject to the availability of resources, for recruitment of teaching and supporting staff, purchase of equipment, books and journals, faculty improvement and extension programmes, construction of women's hostels, staff quarters, health centres, campus development, etc. The quantum of grants payable to the eligible universities is worked out on the basis of parameters, such as stage of development of a particular institution, level of teaching (i.e. under-graduate, post-graduate, etc.), student and faculty strength etc. Development grants are allocated for the Plan period as a whole and not on a year-to-year basis. Such grants are, however, released on yearly basis depending upon the progress of implementation of various schemes/programmes/projects and on receipt of the required documents. UGC has allocated an amount of Rs. 65.00 lakhs to Gurukul Kangri Vishwavidyalaya for the 8th Plan out of which an amount of Rs. 56.24 lakhs has already been sanctioned.

(c) According to the information furnished by UGC, there is no proposal to sanction any special grants to Gurukul Kangri Vishwavidyalaya for development of education owing to constraints of financial resources.

[English]

Indo-South African Relations

1354. DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have taken any steps to strengthen further Indo-South African relations; and